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Anniston, Alabama

February 20, 2018

The City Council of the City of Anniston, Alabama, met in Regular Session in the Council Chamber in the City Hall of the City of Anniston, Alabama, on Tuesday, February 20, 2018, at approximately 5:31 o'clock p.m.

Benjamin Little, City Councilman, prayed the Invocation.

Benjamin Little, City Councilman, led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Mayor Draper called the meeting to order. On call of the roll the following Council Members were found to be present: Council Members Jenkins, Reddick, Little, Harris and Draper; absent: none. A quorum was present and the meeting opened for the transaction of business.

Cory Salley, Interim City Manager, was present.

Bruce Downey, City Attorney, was present.

Council Member Jenkins made a motion to waive the reading of the minutes of February 6, 2018. The motion was seconded by Council Member Harris; and on call of the roll the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Members Jenkins, Reddick, Little, Harris and Draper; nays: none. The motion carried.

Council Member Jenkins made a motion to approve the minutes of February 6, 2018. The motion was seconded by Council Member Reddick; and on call of the roll the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Members Jenkins, Reddick, Little, Harris and Draper; nays: none. The motion carried.

Council Member Reddick made a motion to approve the Agenda. The motion was seconded by Council Member Harris; and on call of the roll the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Member Jenkins, Reddick, Little, Harris and Draper; nays: none. The motion was carried.

Mayor Draper read a Proclamation regarding World Spay Day, which is a campaign of the Humane Society of the United States, the Humane Society International, and the Humane Society and Veterinarian Medical Association that advocates the spaying or neutering of pets. Veterinarians, National and local animal protection organizations and private citizens will work together to advocate the spaying and neutering of pets for the designation of last Tuesday in February each year. The City Council of the City of Anniston, Alabama proclaims February 27, 2018 as World Spay Day in the City of Anniston, Alabama.

Mayor Draper read a Mayoral Proclamation regarding Arbor Week. Everyone in the City of Anniston benefits either directly or indirectly from trees and forest lands. Trees provide oxygen, purify the air, and play an important role in the water cycle. Well-maintained city trees benefit present and future generations, therefore Jack Draper, Mayor of the City of Anniston, Alabama proclaims the week of February 19-23, 2018, as Arbor Week and encourages citizens to participate in tree planting activities during this week.

Robert Sterling, 65 Oak Hill Lane, something needs to be done regarding the requirements for tenants moving out of a residence.

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Council Member Jenkins introduced Brett Rothwell, his nominee, for the Anniston Water Works and Sewer Board.

Council Member Harris made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda:

- (a) Resolution authorizing reimbursements to the City Manager candidate for expenses incurred while traveling to interview. (*Resolution 18-R-8*)
- (b) Resolution appointing member(s) to the Anniston Water Works and Sewer Board. (*Resolution 18-R-9*)
- (c) Resolution declaring a reported condition to be a public nuisance. Group 2018-01 Grass & Debris (*Resolution 18-R-10*)
- (d) Resolution declaring a reported condition to be a public nuisance. Group 2018-01 Vehicles & Debris (*Resolution 18-R-11*)
- (e) Resolution declaring a reported condition to be a public nuisance. Group 2018-01 Pools (*Resolution 18-R-12*)
- (f) Motion to approve sponsorship of Anniston Runners Club in the amount of \$3,000.00.
- (g) Motion to waive the rental fee for use of the City Meeting Center for the Learning Tree's "Aces for Autism" Gala April 27-28, 2018.
- (h) Motion to waive the rental fee for use of the City Meeting Center for Anniston High School Father/Daughter dance on March 9, 2018.

The motion was seconded by Council Member Reddick; and on call of the roll the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Members Jenkins, Reddick, Little, Harris and Draper; nays: none. The motion carried.

Council Member Harris made a motion to read by title only, Ordinance 18-O-2. The motion was seconded by Council Member Jenkins; Mayor Draper called for a public hearing on the introduction reading of the Ordinance 18-O-2: An Ordinance enacting chapter 4, Article VI of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Anniston by title only; The public hearing opened; no one spoke; the public hearing was closed. And on call of the roll the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Members Jenkins, Reddick, Little, Harris and Draper; nays: none. The motion carried.

Cory Salley, Interim City Manager, introduced and read Ordinance Number 18-O-2: An Ordinance enacting chapter 4, Article VI of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Anniston by title only and with a brief overview, which is it creates a certified animal control officer, it will allow the certified animal control officer to issue civil citations for violations of local animal control laws. Will be taken up and voted on at the March 6, 2018, city council meeting.

Council Member Jenkins stated to go out and get a tree Thursday to participate in Arbor Week. Recognized Mr. Alan with the Boy Scouts of America getting part of his merit badge requirements tonight.

Council Member Reddick recognized a high school student who is job shadowing. Thanks for being here and letting him serve as councilman.

Council Member Little echoed the concerns regarding rental properties. Still need a letter to North folk Southern because they are still blocking crossings and causing problems.

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Council Member Harris wanted to thank the Council for the resolution for proclaiming World Spay Day. The city of Anniston has a terrible animal issue with unwanted pets. Education and spay and neutering seem to be the way to solve the problem. April 14, 2018 is the City of Anniston's clean-up day at 9:00am, and also they have noticed an increase in the amount of litter around the city and on the bypass.

Mayor Draper wanted to thank everyone for their attention engagement in tonight's City Council Meeting. Also, he wanted to remind everyone of the free tree giveaway on Thursday February 22, 2018, from 11:30-1:30pm in partnership with Alabama Power at Zinn Park.

There being no further business to come before the meeting at that time Council Member Reddick made a motion the meeting be adjourned. The motion was seconded by Council Member Harris; and on call of the roll the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Members Jenkins, Reddick, Little, Harris and Draper; nays: none. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at approximately 5:59 o'clock p.m.